



Docket No. ITW-14144

Applicant: Lewis A. Haws

: Group Art Unit: 3721

Serial No.: 10/645,052

: Examiner: Tawfik, S.

Filed: August 21, 2003

: Date: February 27, 2004

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING  
ZIPPER TENSION IN PACKAGING EQUIPMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application  
is a Combined Amendment and Election of Invention.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

X A fee for additional claims is not required.

       A fee for additional claims is required. The additional fee  
has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS:	39	-	39	=	0	x \$18 =	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS:	7	-	7	=	0	x \$86 =	0
TOTAL FEE DUE						\$	0


       Our check for payment of the additional claims fee is enclosed.

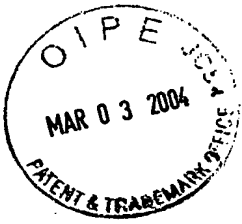
       Please charge \$        to Deposit Account No. 15-0699 in payment  
of the fee.

X The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any  
extension or other fee under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required  
by this paper or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No.  
15-0699.

Respectfully submitted,

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**COMBINED AMENDMENT AND  
ELECTION OF INVENTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 6,  
2004, the Applicant requests that the claims be amended as  
indicated starting on the next page.